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ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR NEW SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Planning Commission has received requests from various Ministries/ Departments for granting additional funds for launching and expansion of new schemes during 2004-05;

(b) if so, the details thereof, Ministry-wise and scheme-wise; and

(c) the decision taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN)

(a) to (c): As per the Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules 1961 amended from time to time, one of the basic functions of Planning Commission is to formulate the Plan for effective utilization of country`s resources and make allocations of funds to Central Ministries/Departments on the basis of Plan proposals received from them keeping in view the priorities determined by the Government and the availability of Gross Budgetary Support for the Plan to be provided by Ministry of Finance. As a regular exercise, Planning Commission received the Plan proposals from Central Ministries/ Departments for the Annual Plan 2004-05 and, given the size of Gross Budgetary Support made available for the Plan, budgetary support of Rs. 81,367 crore was allocated to the Central Ministries/ Departments for various Plan Schemes during the year 2004-05. The Ministry-wise and Scheme-wise break up of the budgetary support of Rs. 81,367 crore to Central Plan is given in Expenditure Budget 2004-05 (Volume-2) of the Interim Budget presented in Parliament on February 3, 2004.